

**Government of India
Ministry of Railways
(Railway Board)**

No.TC-I/94/114/1Pt.-A

New Delhi, dt. 19.03.2012

**Chief Commercial Manager(FS)
East Coast Railway
Bhubaneswar.**

**Sub: Uniform working hours and business hours for goods shed and sidings—
incentive for extended working hours and immediate removal of goods**

Ref: Board's letter No.TC-I/94/114/1-pt. dt.11.10.2004(Rates Circular No.40 of 2004)
and No.TC-I/94/114/1-pt.A dt.10.12.2008

Please refer to ECoR's letter No.CCM/95/DC/Pt.-III/Pt./876 dt.24.03.2011 wherein *inter alia* referring to two situations, a clarification has been sought whether the incentive prescribed vide Para 5 of Rates Circular No.40 of 2004 is applicable when a rake is placed during 22:00 to 06:00 Hour.

In terms of Para 5 of Rates Circular No.40 of 2004, only 50% of the time taken between 22:00-06:00 hours or the time upto which the working hours has been extended should be reckoned for the purpose of calculating **free time** for loading, unloading or removal of consignment from railway premises. Therefore, the incentive is permissible if a rake is placed during 22:00 to 06:00 Hour, as free time for loading/unloading of the rake falls during extended night working hours.

Illustration:

Case(i): A covered wagon rake is placed at 20:00 Hour for unloading at goods shed having round the clock working

Permissible free time for unloading of covered wagon rake is 9 hrs.

Free time during 20:00 to 22:00 = 2 hrs.

Free time during 22:00 to 06:00 = 50% of time between 22:00 to 06:00 = 50% of 8hrs. = 4hrs

Free time left after 06:00 = 9hrs.-(2hrs+4hrs.) = 3hrs.

Free time will expire at 06:00+3hrs. = 09:00Hour of subsequent day.

Case(ii): A covered wagon rake is placed at 02:00 Hour for unloading at goods shed having round the clock working

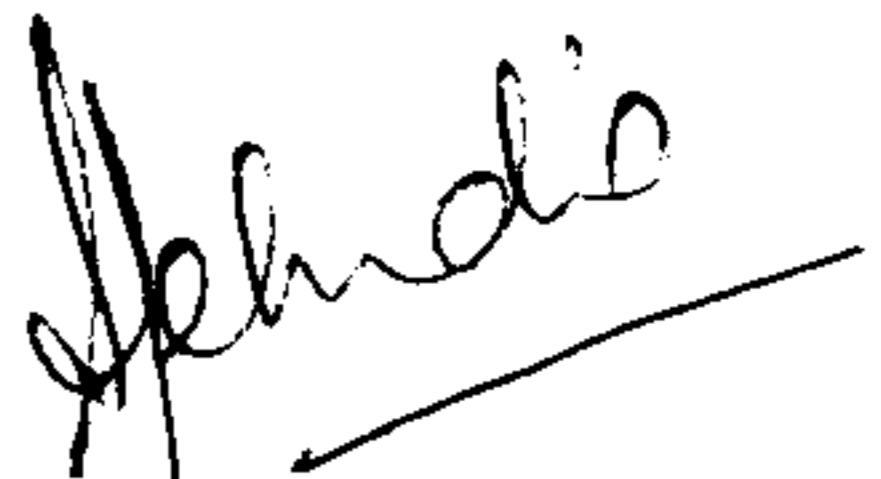
Permissible free time for unloading of covered wagon rake is 9 hrs.

Free time during 02:00 to 06:00 = 50% of time between 02:00 to 06:00 = 50% of 4 hrs. = 2 hrs.

Free time left after 06:00 = 9hrs.-2hrs. = 7hrs.

Free time will expire at 06:00 + 7hrs. = 13:00 Hour.

This issues in consultation with Traffic Transportation Dte. and concurrence of Finance Dte. of Ministry of Railways.


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